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Notice of Abandonment	Examiner	Art Unit		
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This application is abandoned in view of:		•		
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(c) A reply was received on but it does not constitutional rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See		mpt at a proper reply, to the non-		
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 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-8 (a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was), which is after the expiration of the statutory per Allowance (PTOL-85). 	5). received on (with a Certifica	ate of Mailing or Transmission dated		
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The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ 1		CFR 1.18(d), is \$		
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Allowability (PTO-37). (a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on after the expiration of the period for reply.				
(b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.				
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6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claim		e the period for seeking court review		
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A proper reply was not received within the 6 month November 2008.	period following the mailing of the	e Office Action mailed on 13		
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